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COMING SOON:
Bell Road's
\$10 million
make-over



Building a City Beyond Expectations

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The City of Surprise and Maricopa County are getting an early start on combating the West Nile Virus this year. And you can help by becoming better educated on how to prevent the spread of the potentially serious virus.

West Nile Virus is most often spread by the bite of mosquitoes that have become infected from feeding on infected birds. While most people suffer no symptoms or mild symptoms after they become infected, a small number of them become seriously ill with high fevers, headaches, disorientation, tremors, convulsions and coma.

The County plans to monitor and test mosquitoes, use larvae-eating bacteria in standing water to kill them and fog some areas with pesticides. The City is once again joining with the County to keep residents informed about the virus through a variety of information outlets.

While the City will use press releases, articles in Surprise Progress, programming on Surprise11, fliers and door hangers, in its public information campaign, the best source of information is the City's website at www.surpriseaz.com. The website provides general information about West Nile Virus, prevention measures, fogging schedules, procedures for filing complaints and contact numbers.

Please take a moment now to review the information on West Nile Virus. We need everyone's help to "Fight the Bite."

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MUSEUM SEEKS CHARTER MEMBERS

Phoenix's Heard Museum, specializing in the art and culture of the Southwestern native people, is opening a satellite museum in Surprise. Heard Museum West is scheduled to open in February 2006. Call to become a charter member or volunteer to work at the museum.

Info: 602.252.8840 or www.heard.org

got a beef?

**FOR INFO ON
MEDIATION:
623.583.0653**



Try Mediation

If you've got a beef with a neighbor, homeowner's association or even the City, Surprise may have the solution – and it won't cost a dime.

In a new Mediation Program offered by the Community Initiatives Department, trained volunteers act as an impartial third party to facilitate discussion between disputing parties and help them to arrive at a mutually satisfying solution. "The key is that the parties come up with their own solutions; not a judge, jury or arbitrator," said Project Coordinator Ruby Sitea, a retired lawyer and educator. "Most disputes are settled in one two-hour session without the expense and delay of formal investigation and litigation."

Surprise has a team of 22 trained mediators available. The Community Mediation Program will consider the following types of disputes: Neighbor-to-neighbor, resident to HOA board or committee, landlord-tenant, consumer issues, resident to city, commercial and business disagreements, and workplace related disputes. Disputes involving violence, or the threat of violence, will not be accepted.

CITY COUNCIL
7 p.m. on the second and
fourth Thursday of the month
May 12, May 26,
June 9, June 23
City Hall, 12425 W. Bell Road
Info: 623.583.1098

*Beginning in June, the City
Council and Planning and
Zoning Commission will meet at
the Northwest Regional Library,
16089 N. Bullard Ave.*

**PLANNING & ZONING
COMMISSION**
6 p.m. on the first and third
Tuesdays of the month
City Hall Council Chambers
May 3, May 17,
June 7, June 21
12425 W. Bell Road
623.875.4332



*City Council
and Planning
and Zoning
Commission meet-
ings are broadcast
live on Surprise11. Surprise11 is
available to Cox Cable subscrib-
ers in Surprise and Sun City West.*

*Council meetings are rebroad-
cast several times during the
week following the meeting.
Broadcast times are:*

*8 a.m. Friday, noon Saturday,
7 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Monday,
2 a.m. Wednesday*

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meeting schedule

We're building a Better Bell

Bell Road travelers will soon be seeing construction orange everywhere, with Surprise's May 2 launch of its \$10 million, 3-5 year road improvement plan for Bell Road. Dubbed **"Building a Better Bell,"** the big projects include:

- Resurfacing Bell Road from Avenue of the Arts to the Beardsley Canal.
- Renovating median landscaping and upgrading lights.
- Synchronizing signal lights and adding dynamic message boards.
- Installing additional right-turn lanes.

The majority of the 25 individual projects will be completed by 2008, including the median and lighting improvements and resurfacing the deteriorating asphalt with a sound-reducing rubberized material.

"Building a Better Bell is not a cure-all for the congestion on Surprise's main east-west thoroughfare, but the improvements are designed to make for a safer, smoother, more pleasant journey," said City Engineer Dr. Robert Maki.

Westbound drivers should see some immediate relief with this year's construction of right-turn lanes on westbound Bell Road at R.H. Johnson Boulevard and at Grand Avenue, and installation of a fiber-optic interconnect that will synchronize signal lights and improve traffic flow on the east side of Grand Avenue.

A joint project with Maricopa County and the City of Peoria, the interconnect project from Loop 101 to Grand Avenue will include television cameras, dynamic message signs and a Traffic Control Center in Surprise City Hall which will allow staff to view the traffic conditions and remotely control traffic signals. Installation of the Bell Road Intelligent Transportation System from Grand Avenue to Loop 303 will begin in 2008.

For a complete list of projects and updates, visit www.bellroadimprovements.com.



who to know

To put "love" and "traffic" in the same sentence seems an oxymoron, but to Surprise's Traffic Engineer, it's a natural. "I love traffic," said Nick Mascia, defending his passion with a boyish charm. "It deals with everyone, anytime of the day. It's in constant flux and everyone can relate to it. That's why I chose traffic as opposed to other types of engineering."

Surprise offers Mascia plenty of challenges and being a resident gives him a vested interest. "The biggest challenge is accommodating the traffic through the growth; not only trying to catch up," he said, "but to get ahead of the curve." (No pun intended)

Building a Better Bell will consume much of Mascia's time for the next few years and, although it will improve conditions, he warns it's not a fix-all. Alternative east/west routes are the answer, but overcoming obstacles of the railroad, retirement communities and river bottom will take time. Surprise is partnering with Peoria and Maricopa County on possible alternatives while looking at ways to pay for the multi-million dollar project. "It can take up to a year just for the designs," he said while thanking/asking residents for their patience.

The Michigan native grew up in the suburban Detroit town of Woodhaven. It was his father, a maintenance supervisor at Ford Motor Co., and his mother, who encouraged their sports and science-oriented son to pursue a college degree.

"I'd like residents to know I'm approachable. I'm here to serve them."

~ Nick Mascia

bellroadimpro

NAME: Nick Mascia
TITLE: Traffic Engineer
EMPLOYEE SINCE: 2004
EDUCATION: Bachelor's and master's degrees in Civil Engineering from Michigan State University
HOMETOWN: Woodhaven, Michigan (a suburb of Detroit)
FAMILY: Wife, Laurie, and daughter, Hailey
HOBBIES: College football

The 6-foot-plus Mascia, a high school football player/wrestler/shot-putter who excelled in drafting, mathematics and science knew he wanted to be an engineer and Michigan State, just up the road a few miles, had a good civil engineering program with expert professors, like Dr. Robert Maki of the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Sports still in his blood, Mascia was a walk-on at Michigan State, playing offensive lineman for his first two years. He was just a minute short of earning a varsity football letter, but when push came to shove, he opted for studying over sports. It paid off. Mascia earned his bachelor's degree in 1999, his master's degree in 2000 and landed job offers from nine civil engineering firms.

Mascia opted for a Grand Rapids company where he spent a year and a half as a junior traffic engineer. Ready for a change of scenery and climate, he headed west to Phoenix where he spent two years with a local firm until, last spring, when he heard about the Traffic Engineer position in Surprise. He applied and landed the job working for his former professor, Dr. Maki, now the Surprise City Engineer.



Planning for new roadways in Surprise is one thing. Paying for them is another.

While Surprise's new Transportation Committee put the finishing touches on a **five-year plan**, the City Council has made some significant strides in the fund-raising department. In March, the City Council **approved hiring of a lobbyist** to help secure more federal dollars, and **increased the construction sales tax** by 1.5 percent dedicating it all to road construction. At the City's current building rate, the increase will net the City about \$12 million a year or \$190,000 over the next 20 years. That goes a long way toward the **estimated \$294 million Surprise needs for roads and bridges in the next 20 years.**



By the way, that's on top of the **\$482 million the MAG Regional Transportation Plan**, funded by voter-approved Proposition 400 and MAG, **has earmarked for roadways in and near Surprise**, such as:

- \$17 million for Jomax Road design and right-of-way acquisition.
 - \$100 million for Grand Avenue improvements.
 - \$330 million for Loop 303 improvements.
 - \$35 million for El Mirage Road improvements.
 - \$2 million for Traffic Operations.
- infrastructure and control in Surprise

Other fundraising options might include voter approved bonds or a regional transportation fee.

dog park rules



**Parks Manager
Fred Sanchez sits
under one of the
ramadas at the
new doggie park.**

- Enter at your own risk.
- Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult. Please keep small children and infants under close active supervision.
- Dog owners must be in attendance with their dog at all times and carry a visible leash.
- Aggressive dogs are not permitted; dogs are to be removed at first sign of aggression.
- Owners are liable for any damage or injuries.
- All dogs must be licensed, vaccinated and wear their permit tags.
- Dog owners must maintain control of their dogs at all times.
- Dogs must be on a leash while entering and exiting the dog park.
- FEMALE DOGS IN HEAT ARE NOT ALLOWED IN DOG PARK.
- Dog treats and food are not allowed in the dog park.
- Any damage done by digging is to be repaired immediately by owners.
- Dog owners who fail to comply with the above rules may be asked to leave or be ticketed.
- Dog owners must comply with all City park regulations.

Surprise pooches will soon have their own place to play at the Surprise Recreation Campus. A 1.5 acre fenced doggie park is scheduled to open May 14 on the east end of the Community Park at 15953 N. Bullard Ave. It will feature separate sections for large and small dogs, picnic ramadas and drinking fountains for pets and their owners. There's even a "doggie waste station" with disposable baggies and trash containers to make clean-up easy for owners.

The doggie park is just part of a nearly \$550,000 addition that includes a walking path around the lake, four chilled drinking fountains, four large ramadas, three "Kool Zone" kid-misting towers, additional lights and 10 shade structures.

Info: 623.266.4500

upcoming events

INTRODUCTION TO BABYWEARING

Learn how to comfort a fussy baby while getting things done! A hands on class for expectant parents or parents with children under 30 pounds; registration needed.

Time: 9:30 a.m., May 10

Location: Northwest Regional Library,
16089 N. Bullard Ave.

Info: 623.544.6371

CHILDSPLAY THEATRE COMPANY PERFORMANCE: OLD JAKE'S SKIRTS

A heart-warming tale complimented by toe-tapping Bluegrass music; free for all ages.

Date: 10 a.m., May 26

Location: Northwest Regional Library
16089 N. Bullard Ave.

Info: 623.544.6371

SURPRISE SERENADES CONCERT SERIES

Co-sponsored by the City, these monthly concerts feature a variety of Arizona entertainers and are free to Surprise residents.

Time: 7 p.m., May 19
Caribbean sounds of Paul
McDermand

7 p.m., June 23
Nuevo Spanish guitar by Delsoul

Location: West Valley Art Museum
17420 N. Avenue of the Arts

Info: 623.972.0635

SUMMER ART CLASSES

A full palette of exciting art activities for ages 7 to 13. Morning and afternoon classes available.

Time: Weekdays, June 6 - Aug. 5

Location: West Valley Art Museum
17420 N. Avenue of the Arts

Info: 623.972.0635 or www.wvam.org



New spring classes:

One Stroke Painting – Paint like an artist in two sessions.

Tai Chi – balance your mind and body.

Feel Good – This free senior exercise program may be performed from a sitting or standing position.

Line Dancing – Boot Scoot and all the favorites.

Upcoming Trips:

May 24: Imax & shopping at Arizona Mills, \$10

June 9: Phantom of the Opera at Gammage Auditorium, \$42

July 1: Ringling Brothers Circus, \$15

July 12: Fort McDowell Casino, \$3

Aug 10: Nunsense at the Broadway Palms Theatre, \$40

Special Programs

AARP Driver's Training

\$10 fee covers two 4-hour sessions.
To register, call 623.546.7143

Senior Loan-a-Phone

For a \$5 deposit, seniors get a cell phone that will call 9-1-1 only. For details, call 602.264.4357

**Volunteer
Opportunities
are available in several
City departments
Info: 623.583.0653**

Computer Classes!

Basic I & II

Internet

E-mail

Microsoft Word

File Management

Digital Photos (NEW!)

Call for class dates, 623.583.0653.

Class fee \$10

Safe Return is FREE

Now through June 30, family and caregivers of Alzheimer's and dementia sufferers can gain a sense of peace and save \$40 by registering for the Alzheimer's Association Safe Return program at the Surprise Senior Center. A local grant is being used to cover the usual \$40 enrollment fee.

Safe Return is a nationwide identification and support program offering 24-hour assistance in locating individuals with Alzheimer's or dementia who may wander and become lost. Bracelets for enrollees and their caregivers are provided along with registration and enrollment into the data system. For an application, call or visit the Senior Center.

City NOTEBOOK

STOP STORM WATER POLLUTION



Report dumping of chemicals, suspicious dry weather discharges into storm

drains, sediment runoff, leaking vehicles and standing water to the **Storm Water Pollution Hot line: 623.875.4290**

CITY OFFICES CLOSE FOR HOLIDAY

City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day and no City services will be provided. **Trash normally collected on Monday will be picked up on Wednesday** instead. Tuesday trash collection will not be affected.

The Public Works Department is trying a **new, simplified holiday schedule** in 2005. "Last year, both Monday and Tuesday customers were affected and we were inundated with calls from people confused about the schedule," said Public Works Director Jim Nichols. This year, when a holiday falls on a Monday, as seven of them do, then only the Monday customers will be affected by having their Monday garbage service moved to Wednesday.

Info: 623.583.0947

WINDOW COMPANY PICKS SURPRISE

Milgard, one of America's largest producers of high-quality windows and patio doors, recently announced plans to build a manufacturing facility in Surprise. Located in the Skyway Business Park, northwest corner of Peoria Avenue and Dysart Road, the 44-acre parcel and the initial 300,000-square-foot facility represent a \$36-million investment by Milgard.

The new plant, expected to open by early 2006, **will specialize in the production of window and doorframe components** used in assembly processes at other Milgard locations. The 24-hour-a-day operation is expected to employ about 150 people during the first year and 300 by the end of the fourth year.

PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Janae Greer submitted the winning entry in Surprise's first photography contest. Her landscape of wildflowers under a cloudy sky will be featured on the cover of the June 22 edition of *Surprise Progress*. It, along with 14 other top photos, will make up the third edition of Surprise's photo essay book, entitled, "Surprise, Arizona: Through Residents' Eyes."

First place went to Keri L. Cotton for a child playing at the Surprise Community Park; second place to Glenn Lunn for a sunset photo; and third to Joseph Scott Martin for "The Perfect Reading Place."

Members of the Surprise Arts and Cultural Board selected the winning photos from among 100 entries. Not enough entries were received in some categories, so all of the entries were combined and overall winners selected.

RECYCLE TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES

New telephone directories were distributed to Surprise residents this month and Surprise's Public Works Department is making it easier than ever before to recycle used phone books. Residents who have a blue recycling container may simply drop it in there, but for those who don't, a recycling bin, marked for phone books only, has been set up behind Surprise City Hall, 12425 W. Bell Road.

HELP NEEDED ON SPECIAL NEEDS PLAN

The Special Needs Commission is developing a strategic plan and needs input from the public. Individuals who have a disability, a family member with a disability, or who act as a caregiver to someone with a disability, are needed to serve on a focus group. The focus groups will be separated into five categories and each group will meet once, for approximately 90 minutes, in early May.

Info: 623.875.4350 or jean.poe@surpriseaz.com



**WATER PLANTS AFTER
SUNDOWN TO KEEP EVAPORATION
TO A MINIMUM. FOR MORE WATER-
SAVING TIPS, VISIT THE WATER
SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT
SURPRISEAZ.COM**



HELP AVAILABLE TO HOMEBUYERS

The Industrial Development Authorities of Phoenix and Maricopa County have partnered to create a down payment assistance program. **\$100 million is available for first-time homebuyers** purchasing a home within Maricopa County whose incomes do not exceed \$58,600 for one- or two-person households, or \$67,390 for three or more.

The maximum purchase price for a home is \$204,432, and buyers must be able to qualify for credit. The 30-year fixed rate mortgage offered by the program includes assistance of 5 percent of the full loan amount to be used toward down payment and closing costs.

Info: 602.506.7294 or www.mcida.com

BEE-WARE OF CALLING 9-1-1

Springtime is bee time, but Surprise's Fire Chief doesn't want to see the City's switchboard swarmed by calls – unless it's an emergency. Chief Mike White says the Fire Department will respond only when bees pose a threat to a person or pet. Residents are encouraged to call a bee specialist or exterminator. Look in the Yellow Pages under "Bee Removal" or "Bee Keepers."

WEEDS POSE FIRE DANGER

A wildflower-dotted desert is the upside of winter's higher-than-normal rainfall. The downside is bigger-than-average weeds – and more of them – and that means increased fire danger this summer. That's why Surprise's Fire and Code Enforcement departments are asking residents to cleanup their act.

Code enforcement officers are on the lookout for overgrown properties. Owners who are in violation are given ample time to take care of the problem – that's the goal. However, failure to control weeds is a Class One misdemeanor punishable by up to a \$2,500 fine and up to six months in jail. To report a property with rampant weed problems, **call 623.875.4301.**

TEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers 12 years and older are needed to assist with Northwest Regional Library's summer reading program. Applications are available starting May 9 at the library, 16089 N. Bullard Ave., and applicants must attend a training session on May 16 or May 23.

Info: 623.544.6371

MID-DECADE CENSUS STARTING

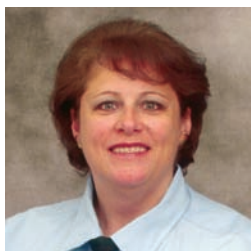
Maricopa County will be conducting a mid-decade census survey starting Sept. 1 to update population figures in our rapidly growing region. Because this is not a door-to-door count, **residents will be selected at random to complete a survey.**

Accurate population figures are important, because cities and towns receive state-shared revenues based on population. Those revenues pay for vital city services such as police and fire protection, water and sewer services, properly maintained streets, and garbage pickup.

The U.S. Census Bureau is looking for workers, 18 and older, to help conduct the survey. The starting salary is \$11.50 per hour plus mileage. **Info:** 602.256.3225 or www.census2005.com

CITIZENS ACADEMY IN MAY

Get a six-week educational overview of City operations at the Surprise Citizens Academy. The class will meet from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Wednesdays, from May 11 through June 15, in the Willow Canyon High School Media Center. Class size is limited to 30 participants, and the \$50 fee includes registration, course materials and a light dinner each evening. To register, call Estrella Mountain Community College at 623.935.8888.



Linda Kmetz, public education coordinator for the Surprise Fire Department, is passionate about prevention and for good reason. Fourteen years in the emergency medical services field brought her

face-to-face with childhood drowning, near-drowning, cardiac arrest, child abuse, fatal accidents and the families left behind. She has witnessed, first-hand, the devastation. **"You can't put a bandage on it. These are traumatic events you never get over,"** she said.

Every year, Kmetz and other members of the County-wide Drowning

Prevention

Coalition of

Central Arizona,

beat the drum of

'Watch your kids

around water' and

the drownings go

on. As of March 30,

two more children

drowned in

Maricopa County

in 2005. Another two remain on life support. **"People think, 'It can't happen to me, to my child.' I'm here to remind people that it *can* happen to them,"** she said.

Kmetz' message is as simple as ABC: Awareness

– Barriers – Classes. "Supervision is most important.

You always need to watch your children," Kmetz said.

"People need to understand it's the silent disaster. You don't hear kids drowning."



From 2000 through 2004, 111 children drowned in Maricopa County. One child was from Surprise. He fell into a 19-inch-deep backyard pond while celebrating his second birthday in March 2000. He died several days later.

awareness:

- When children are in the pool, designate one person to be the water watcher. That person must have a "lifeguard" mentality, keeping full attention on swimmers.
- Never leave children in the pool while answering the phone. Let the phone ring, take children with you or bring a phone to the poolside.
- When finished swimming, remove all toys (and temptation) from the pool area.
- Never swim alone – no matter what age – and especially if you're under the influence of medication or alcohol or have a history of epilepsy.

barriers:

- See Surprise City Codes for fencing. (623.594.5641) Make sure gates are latched and locked.
- Put locking devices, or even an alarm, on doors and windows that lead to the pool area. Secure doggie doors. Lock pedestrian and RV gates leading to the back yard.

classes:

- Enroll children in swimming classes, (623.266.4500) but don't assume kids who know how to swim are immune from drowning.
- Learn CPR – and that goes for parents, grandparents, babysitters and other caregivers. Because brain damage can occur in as little as four to six minutes, CPR makes a "significant difference." Surprise firefighters offer free classes (623.583.8225).

For more child safety tips, visit childrensafetyzone.com

‘... Fortune’ Host Pitches Golden Baseball



Pat Sajak,

long-time host of “Wheel of Fortune,” will introduce the new Golden Baseball League to Surprise at the May 26 season opener at Surprise Stadium. Sajak, a baseball fan and an investor in the independent professional minor league, is scheduled to throw out the first pitch and, get this: **Pat Sajak Bobbleheads will be the give-away for the 7:05 p.m. debut game.**

Surprise is one of eight charter cities in Arizona and California to host a team. The Fightin’ Falcons, named in a contest by 12-year-old Alex Gleason of Surprise, and coached by two-time All-Star catcher, Ozzie Virgil Jr., will feature a 22-man roster of former major leaguers and some of college baseball’s finest players. The 90-game season ends Aug. 28. **Tickets or info:** goldenbaseball.com or 623.977.9255.

CODE Talk

Jennifer O'Melia
Code Compliance Specialist
623.875.4301

Failure to control weeds is a Class One misdemeanor punishable by up to a \$2,500 fine and up to six months in jail.

Motorized play vehicles, such as Go-Peds and mini-motorcycles, are not allowed on any public or private street. Surprise City Code Section 10.12.015



coming soon

Surprise's Community Development Department reports the following businesses are now under construction:

Restaurants: Carrabas and TGI Fridays, southwest corner of Bell and Litchfield roads; Eatza Pizza, 17221 N. Litchfield Road in the Surprise Village shops; El Paso Barbeque Company, 13823 W. Bell Road.

In the **Fields of Surprise Office Complex** at Bell Road and 150th Avenue: DC Canyon Health and Wellness, Dr. Blair Feldman DDS, Eberhart DDS, Wellman DDS, Farmer's Insurance, PSP and Associates, Remax Professionals, Larkin and Associates.

Other offices: New Day Counseling, 15282 W. Brookside Lane; Bade Family LLC, 18775 N. Reems Road.

Banks: First Bank of Arizona, 14291 W. Grand Ave.; Bank of America, 13780 W. Waddell Road; First Bank of Arizona, 14291 W. Grand Ave.

Grocery: Henry's Market, a grocery store in Macayo's Plaza, 15569 W. Bell Road; Safeway, 13828 W. Waddell Road.

Retail: Hampton Inn, 14783 W. Grand Ave.; Ulta, in Surprise Marketplace on the southwest corner of Bell Road and Grand Avenue; Sherwin Williams Paint, 14039 W. Grand Ave.; Lee Myles Transmission, 14075 W. Grand Ave.; Metropolitan Mattress and Fantastic Sams, in Surprise Village shops on the northeast corner of Bell and Litchfield roads.

Churches and schools: Parkway Christian Church, 14787 W. Cholla; Rancho Gabriela Elementary, 15272 W. Gabriela Drive; Sierra Montana Elementary, 17825 W. Sierra Montana Loop.

now open

Churches and schools: Radiant Church and Preschool, 15522 W. Paradise Lane; Carden Elementary Charter School, 15688 W. Acoma Drive.

Restaurants and Retail: Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, 14015 W. Bell Road; My Favorite Martin's, 17300 N. Sun Village Parkway; Jamaca Me Tan, 16846 W. Bell Road; The Natural Nail Spa, 13065 W. Grand Ave; Goodyear Tire Center, 14087 W. Grand Ave; Big Lots, 14537 W. Grand Ave; Attitudes Salon & Day Spa, 13980 W. Bell Road; Ross Dress for Less and Sleep Savvy in Surprise Marketplace, southwest corner of Bell Road and Grand Avenue; Scottblue Reprographics, 12851 W. Bell Road.

Offices: Nationwide Insurance and Financial Services, 13980 W. Bell Road; Dr. Scott Wilson DDS, 13933 W. Grand Ave; North American Title, 13945 W. Grand Ave; Morris Law Firm, 13951 W. Grand Ave.; DaVinci Dental Group, 18715 N. Reems Road in the Surprise Medical and Professional Office Buildings; Zastrow Chiropractic Clinic, 18775 N. Reems Road; Cool Blew (office and storage), 13260 W. Foxfire Dr.

Banks: First National Bank of Arizona, 14291 W. Grand Ave; Bank One, 13912 W. Waddell; Wells Fargo Bank, 13982 W. Waddell.

Grocery: Fry's Marketplace, 13982 W. Waddell Road.

Assisted Living: Caring Hearts Senior Care, 15363 W. Memory Lane; Royal Paradise, 15257 N. 135th Drive; Golden Generations, 13393 W. Rimrock St.; Sun Creek Assisted Living, 16437 N. 169th Dr.; Ashton Assisted Living, 13844 N. 50th Drive; Golden State Human Development, 16290 W. Davis Road.



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